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April 1, 2009

TO:

Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM:

Constituents from Gallatin County; Mental Health Local Advisory Council

RE:

HB 130, HB 131, and HB 132

HB 130, 131, and 132 are extremely important to the ongoing efforts to further fiscally responsible and humane mental health services in Montana's counties. These bills will lower costs to the State and the Counties while provide for better outcomes for people in need in their own communities. Having the systems in place allowed by these bills will result in a lower demand on other systems such as law enforcement, the judicial system, the State Hospital, and local hospitals, to name a few. A reduction in transports to the State Hospital means our law enforcement officers can focus on their duties on the streets of our communities as well as save a great deal of money in travel expenses and salaries. The legislative changes proposed in these bills will go a long way toward strengthening our communities and our families.

We strongly encourage you to support HB 130, 131, and 132 as they stand. We appreciate your support of the constituents in our community in need of these services, the families that are also affected, and the system that is in serious need of restructuring for both financial and efficiency purposes.

GALLATIN COUNTY BOARD LIST						
Name of board	Board member	Term Expires	Date appt/elected	Address	City, state, zip	Remarks
Mental Health Local Advisory Council	VACANCY	07/31/2008		2555 West College St. Apt #2 585-9149	Bozeman, MT 59718	4 year term. Primary Consumer Position. Replaced Lianne Arakaki Chong
Mental Health Local Advisory Council	Jan Bjork		07/31/2001	615 S. 16th, Bozeman, MT 582-2091	Bozeman, MT 59715	Criminal Justice Position
Mental Health Local Advisory Council	Vicki DeBoer	07/31/2011	07/31/2001	10111 Cottonwood Road 585-5497, 600-4073 ©	Bozeman, MT 59718	4 year term. Child Provider of MH Services Position
Mental Health Local Advisory Council	Thomas A. Peluso	07/31/2011	07/31/2001	745 Mary Road 585-8959	Bozeman, MT 59718	4 year term. Family of Consumer Position. Reapptd 7/24/07
Mental Health Local Advisory Council	Lori Marchak	07/31/2011		72 Kimball Ave., Apt A 522-9051, 570-5510	Bozeman, MT 59718	4 year term. Adult Provider of MH Services Position. Reapptd 7/24/07
Mental Health Local Advisory Council	Kathy Berg	07/31/2011	07/31/2001	Legion Villa 201 1215 W. Durston Rd 522-9031	Bozeman, MT 59715	4 year term. Primary Consumer Position. Reapptd 7/24/07
Mental Health Local Advisory Council	Jacob Wagner, Chair	07/31/2011	07/31/2001	76805 Gallatin Road 763-4901, Cell: 581-4954 Fax: 763-3222	Bozeman, MT 59718	4 year term. Primary Consumer Position. Reapptd 8/21/07
Mental Health Local Advisory Council	Shelly Johnson		09/20/2003	502 S. 19th., Ste 302 586-5493,522- 9012,539-2814	Bozeman, MT 59718	4 year term. Alcohol & Drug Services of Gallatin County Position
Mental Health Local Advisory Council	Jerrold E. Johnson	07/31/2009	08/23/2005	336 Summer Ridge Road 585- 8215	Bozeman, MT 59715	Four-year term. New Position on Board representing the Community Clinic
Mental Health Local Advisory Council	Charlotte G. Kress	07/31/2010	01/03/2007	1738 Ash Drive, 587-0150	Bozeman, MT 59715	4 year term. Family of Consumer Position
Mental Health Local Advisory Council	Sally Miller	07/31/2011	08/21/2007	21 S. Hunters Way 582-0588	Bozeman, MT 59718	4 year term. Family of Consumer Position
Mental Health Local Advisory Council	Louise Brewster	07/31/2011		1583 N. 15th Ave., #108 586- 8399	Bozeman, MT 59715	4 year term. Primary Consumer Position
Council	Vickie Groeneweg			915 Highland Blvd 388-1475 (hm); 585-1033 (wk); 570-8874		Bozeman Deaconess Health Services Position
Mental Health Ocal Advisory Council Commission Lep.)	Commissioner Bill Murdock	12/31/2009		311 W. Main, Rm 306 582-3000	MT 59715	County Commissioner Position. Apptd Chair